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Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the Atlantic Treaty Association (ATA) I would like to offer my heartfelt congratulations on your inauguration as 44th President of the United States of America.

Your commitment to change offers new opportunities for rejuvenating the transatlantic security partnership.

In April 2009, NATO will celebrate its 60th anniversary in Strasbourg/France and Baden-Baden/Germany. The ATA is in great anticipation of your speech to the people of the world, especially to the young generation.

We, the members of the ATA, are looking forward to supporting you in your policy of dialogue to master the global security challenges.

In a world marked by turmoil and instability, strong ties between the United States and its NATO Allies and Partners remain our best hope to protect and promote our common values and interests.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karl A. Lamers'.

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